

# FRESH POND RESERVATION VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Cambridge Water Department

### Program Goal:

To encourage stewardship activities amongst Fresh Pond Reservation users.

#### Objectives

- Create opportunities for stewardship on the Reservation
- Form partnerships between the City of Cambridge and other organizations
- Foster sense of community at the Reservation

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- Satisfy goals of Fresh Pond Reservation Master Plan
- Develop community leadership roles
- Produce a safe environment for volunteers and for Reservation users

#### Restoration on the Reservation



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#### Volunteer Program Components

- Monitoring
  - New plantings, invasive species, habitat value
- Maintenance
  - Weekly weeding program
  - Adopt-a-habitat
  - Pond Partners program
- Special Projects

#### Monitoring

- Lusitania Meadow and Little
   Fresh Pond
  - Wetland plants
- Butterfly Meadow
  - butterflies
- Northeast Sector woodlands
  - Invasive plants

#### Little Fresh Pond



#### Lusitania Meadow



# **Butterfly Meadow**



#### Northeast Sector Woods



#### Maintenance

- Adopt-a-habitat
  - Kingsley Park Bioswale,
     Little Fresh Pond Wetlands
- Weekly weeding sessions
- Pond Partners Program

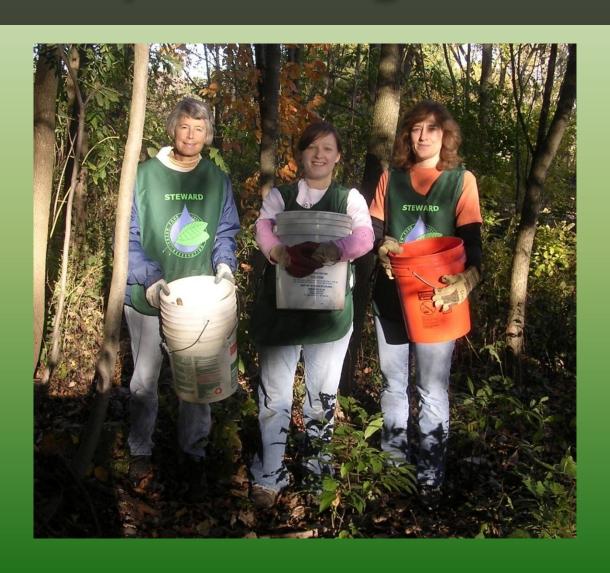
#### Friends of Fresh Pond



# Cambridge Conservation Commission



# Weekly weeding sessions



## Pond Partners Program





#### Special Projects - Purple Loosestrife Biocontrol Project





